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An Account of all the moſt conſiderable NEWS, *Foreign* and *Domeſtic.*

Edinburgh, Tueſday, January 21, 1724.

From the Evening Poſt, January 16th, 1724.

Paris, Jan. 19.

THE Houſhold of Madam Oiſelle de Chartres, youngeſt Daughter of the late Duke of Orleans, is going to be ſettled; Mr. Blouin, Governour of the Caſtle of Verſailles, has already hired ſeveral Houſes for the Uſe of ſuch Gentlemen as ſhall be appointed Officers to that Princeſs. The King having ſent a Letter to the Marſhal de Villeroy to invite him to Court. The Marſhal anſwered he was willing to obey his Majeſty's Command as ſoon as poſſible, but added, that by Reaſon of his great Age and Infirmities, he can ſcarce undertake ſuch a long Journey in Winter.

Bruſſells, January 17th. 'Tis talked that the ſecond Payment of the Actions of our India-Company is actually completed.

Hague, January 19th. Mr. Vandermeer who is appointed Ambaſſador from this State to the King of *Spain*, ſets out to Day or to Morrow for Madrid. A Placaert has been publiſhed here, for preventing the plundering of *Ships* and Merchandiſe ſtranded on our Coaſt, or in Danger of being caſt away.

London, Jan. 16. Yeſterday the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty was re-elected Governour, Sir Bibye Lake, Baronet, *Sub*-governor, and Henry Neale, Eſq; Deputy Governor of the Royal African Company.

A *Ship* is lately arrived at Briſtol from Cadix in 21 Days, the Maſter reports, that he came out of that Port with the *Spaniſh* Fleet, Outward-bound.

This Day at Noon *S. S. Stock* was 119. Annuities, 107, 5 8ths. Bank, 128, 1 half. India, 148, 1 half. African, 27. York Buildings, 12.

From

From the London Gazette January 14th, 1723-4.

Berlin, January 11. This Morning the King of Pruſſia, ſet out from hence for Kelbatz in Pomerania, where his Majeſty deſigns to take the Diverſion of Hunting the wild Boar, and from thence to proceed to Stetin, to view the Fortifications of that Place, which are intended to be made very ſtrong: General Montarques, one of his Majeſty's chief Engineers, is gone before thither, to make a Plan of what Alterations, or additional Works may be neceſſary.

Hague, January 21. N. S. The States General have cauſed a Placaert to be publiſhed, forbidding on Pain of Death, any Perſons to go on Board any Veſſel which may be wrecked on theſe Coaſts, without firſt deſired ſo to do, by the Maſter Pilot, or Crew of ſuch Veſſel. M. Le. Cocque, Miniſter from the King of Poland to the Court of Great Britain, is arrived here from Germany, and is preparing to imbark, in order to paſs over to England.

Whitehall, January 13th. Yeſterday arrived a Meſſenger from Cambray, with Letters from the Lords Polwarth and Whitworth, his Majeſty's Ambaſſador extraordinary and Plenipotentiaries there, giving an Accompt that the 6th Inſtant, O. S. an Expreſs from Vienna, brought to Coont Windiſgratz and Baron Bentenrider, the Emperor's Plenipotentiaries at Cambray, his imperial Majeſty's Act of Inveſtiture of the Dutchies of Tuſcany, Parma, and Placentia, in Favours of Don Carlos Infanta of Spain.

Whitehall, January 13th. His Majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint Horatio Walpole, Eſq; to be his Envoy extraordinary and Plenipotentiary at the Court of France.

From the Whitehall Evening Poſt, January 14th, 1714.

Conſtantinople, Novemb. 18th. The Progreſs of our Troops in Perſia, ſurpaſſes all Expectation, and we doubt not but they will poſſeſs themſelves in a ſhort Time of the Capital of that divided Kingdom. The Army of the Uſurper Meriweys conſiſts not of above 30000 Men.

Vienna, January 5th, 'Tis reported that the Marriage of the Hereditary Prince of Lorain with the eldeſt of the Arch-Dutcheſſes, Daughter of his Imperial Majeſty, is concluded.

Hamburg, January 10. They write from Stockholm, that the King of Sweden has ſent Orders to Count Taſſe his Miniſter at Berlin, to come away immediately without taking Leave of the Court, and return to Stockholm.

Bruſſels, January, 14. The Directors of our Eaſt-India Company are gone to Oſtend, to ſee the Departure of the Veſſels they fitted out there, and that ly ready to ſail with the firſt Wind.

London, January 14. 'Tis talked, That the King of Pruſſia is expected at the Court of Britain, next Summer.

From the Flying Poſt, January 14th.

Conſtantinople, November 18th, They ſay that the Army of the Uſurper Meriweys, conſiſts but of 30000 Men.

Petersburg,

Petersburg, December 24. The Jewels which the Czariana is to wear upon her Coronation at Moſcow, amounts to 120000 Rubbles, beſides the Crown. The Emperor will upon this Occaſion create 100 Gentlemen of the Bed-Chamber, and a great Number of Knights of the Order of the Red Garter. M. Alſoffi, the Marſhal of the Czariana's Court, was interr'd Yeſterday in our Cathedral, with abundance of Pomp, the Czar, the Duke of Holſtein, the foreign Miniſters, &c. honouring his Funeral with their Company.

Florence, December 28*th.* The Princeſs Eleonora of Bavaria, who is the Dowager of the late Hereditary Prince, thinks ſeriouſly of re-marrying a certain Prince of Italy, and it cannot be long before we ſhall know the whole Intrigue.

Dreſden, January 10*th.* The King ſet out to Warſaw this Day.

Stockholm, December, 31*ſt.* The King of Sweden has aſſured the Proteſtants of Polland, that he will write to the King in their Favour, and alſo ſend a Miniſter to the next general Diet, to engage the States to reſtore their Proteſtant Subjects to the free Exerciſe of their Religion, and their other Priviledges, purſuant to the Conventions made with Guſtavus Adolphus, Queen Chriſtiana, Charles Guſtavus, and Charles the XII, Kings of Sweden.

Hague, January 21. They write from Rome, That ſixteen Cardinals in ſhort Habits went to pay the Compliment of the new Year to the Chevalier and Madam de St. George, but all the other Cardinals, being in the Intereſt of the Houſe of Auſtria, declined going; and that the Pope ſent him twelve Baskets of ſweet Meats, Fruits, and other Refreſhments, whereof one was the Basket which was placed for Sate, upon the Table at the magnificent Supper, with which the Cardinals were entertained upon Chriſtmas-Eve: Beſides this, there was a little Box finely emboſs'd with Gold-Plates, in which were twelve little Bottles of various Sorts of Syrups.

Letters of the 2d ultimo from Conſtantinople ſay, That the Sultan has offered the young Sophy 100000 Men, who 'tis thought are not to relieve him, but to betray him into the Hands of Meriweys, and check the Progreſs of the Moſcovites

Vienna, January, 5*th.* We hear that the Cardinal de Saxe Zeits has given up his Pretenſions to the Biſhoprick of Liege in the Favour of the Elector of Cologne; 'Tis ſaid that a Marriage is as good as concluded betwixt the Duke of Lorain's Son and the Arch-Dutchels, who is the Emperor's eldeſt Daughter: And that when he comes to Age, the Emperor ſhall declare him Governour General of the Auſtrian Netherlands. The Court has approved of the Accommodation propoſed with Reſpect to the Affair of Ploen by the Kings of Great Britain and Pruſſia.

They write from Liege, That they have begun to put up Prayers in the Cathedral for the Bleſſing of G O D upon their Choice of a Biſhop, and that a Prayer of the ſame Nature in Verſe, is juſt now publiſhed there by Authority, the Author of which, who is a true Liegeois, begs of Almighty G O D, that he would pleaſe to ſend the Holy Ghoſt upon the Electors; that they may not be tempted by any humane Paſſion; that Artifice and Intrigue may have no Effect upon their Choice; and that they may elect a Prince, not only agreeable to the Subjects but to all foreign Princes and States.

From

From the Whitehall Evening Poſt, Jan. 16.

Rome, Jan. 1. The Great Duke of Tuſcany has notified to the Sacred College his Acceſſion to the Crown; in Conſequence whereof, the Congregation of Ceremonies has reſolved, That the Cardinals ſhall write to him on occaſion of the preſent Feſtivals; but leaving them at Liberty to give, or not to give him the Title of *Royal*, or of *Moſt Serene Highneſs*. The Venetian Ambaſſador made his public Entry on the 28th paſt, and Cardinal Ottoboni conducted him to Audience of the Pope with the uſual Ceremonies.

Turin, Jan. 1. 'Tis reported, that a Marriage will be ſhortly concluded between his Royal Highneſs the Prince of Piedmont, and a Princeſs of the Houſe of Modena.

This being New-year's-day, the Britiſh Envoy went in Ceremony to Court, to make a Compliment to his Sardinian Majeſty. In the Evening he is to have Audience of the Queen, and To morrow, of the Prince, the Duke d'Aouſt, the Princeſſes of Carignan, the Princeſs Loviſa and the young Prince Eugene. 'Tis ſaid that the King intends to reduce the Pay of his Military Officers, as well as the Salary of thoſe in Civil Poſts. General Scuylemberg has been lately ſo ill that he was given over by the Phyſicians; but is now ſomewhat better, and they begin to have Hopes of his Recovery.

Leige, Jan. 16. On the 14th the Princes of Salms and Naſſau, Deputies from the Chapter of Cologne, arrived in this City with ſome other Deputies, from the States of that Arch-Biſhoprick; Yeſterday they had Audience of the Elector of Cologn, whom they complimented on his Acceſſion to the Electorate, and made him the accuſtomed Preſents. The Election of our new Biſhop is fixed for the 7th of next Month; it is not yet poſſible to diſcover in whoſe Favour it will be, becauſe moſt of the Chapter keep their Intentions reſerved to themſelves, and will not declare for whom they will vote, till they ſhall think it neceſſary.

Paris, Jan. 14. Our Letters from Madrid of the 4th Inſtant, mention only ſome Military Promotions which his Catholick Majeſty has made. The Mariſhal de Villeroy has anſwered the Letter which the King did him the Honour to write to him, to recall him to Court. The Mariſhal's Anſwer imports, that he will wait on the King as ſoon as poſſible, but that his great Age will not permit him to undertake a Journey during the Rigour of the Winter.

London Jan. 16. Her Highneſs the Princeſs Amelia is indiſpoſed of a Fever, at the Royal Palace of St. James's.

Captain James Butler, natural Son to the late D. of Ormond, was ſeized laſt Week by his Majeſty's Meſſengers, at his Lodgings in Chelſea.

From the Evening Poſt, Jan. 16.

Petersburg, Decem. 31. On the 14th Inſtant the Baron de Cederene-ventz, Envoy of the King of Sweden, had an Audience of our Emperor, to whom he delivered a Letter from his Swediſh Majeſty. The ſaid Envoy did alſo at the Time of the Delivery of that Letter, congratulate his Ruſſian Majeſty on account of that new Title.

Wye's

Wye's Letter verbatim, London, Jan. 16.

LETTERS from Hamburg of the 11th Inſtant confirm, That moſt of the Proteſtant Princes have entred into an Alliance for maintaining the Proteſtant Religion in the Empire; of which the Emperor being throughly informed, has ſent a Reſcript to all ſuch Roman Catholick States annd Princes of the Empire againſt whom Complaints are iſſued, to make furthwith the demanded Reſtitution: In Default whereof, the Execution againſt them ſhall immediately take place; ſo that if no farther Artifice be us'd, we now expect to hear ſoon of an Accommodation of this Affair, which has been ſo long depending.

Yeſterday the Lords met, purſuant to their laſt Adjournment, and ordered their Houſe to be call'd over the 29th Inſtant, and the ſtanding Orders to be then read. *Ordered* the Reverend Dr. Baker, Biſhop of Bangor, to preach before the Houſe the the 30 Inſtant. Read divers Petitions of Appeal, and appointed the ſeveral Days for hearing them.

The ſame Day the Commons agreed to the Report of the Committee for granting a Supply, and reſolved to Addreſs His Majeſty, for the proper Officers to lay before the Houſe the ſeveral Eſtimates of the Charge of the Navy, Ordnance, *&c.*

Several Accounts of prohibited Eaſt India Goods were preſented by the Commiſſioners of the Cuſtoms, and ordered to lie on the Table.

The Reverend Dr. Seddel, having in a Letter to the Speaker deſired to be excuſed from Preaching before the Houſe the 30 Inſtant, on account of his great Indiſpoſition of the Gout, they appointed the Reverend Dr. Hough to ſupply his Place.

Laſt Night the Commiſſioners of Enquiry into the Abuſe of Charities ſat again at Leather-ſellers Hall, and the Jury found a Non-Application of 72 *L.* more in ſix Years, out of a Legacy of 18 *L. per annum*, to clothe poor People of the Pariſh of St. Bartholph's, Biſhop gate: When the Commiſſioners have done this, they are to proceed upon their Enquiries into other Pariſhes; in ſome of which 'tis ſuſpected there will alſo be found great Embezlements of the Poor's Money.

The Reverend Dr. Rogers having reſigned his Lectureſhip of Chriſt's Church, Mr. Benſon was choſen laſt Tueſday into that Place, in Oppoſition to the Reverend Mr. Bull, who 'tis ſaid was groſly repreſented by the Affidavits of a certain Woman, read againſt him at the Time of the Election, and that he was afterwards uſed in an unheard of Manner by the Huſband of this Woman.

'Tis now taked, That Sir Robert Raymond will be the new Judge, and ſucceedded as Attorney General by Sir Philip York, and that the latter will be ſucceeded as Solliciter by Mr. Werge, one of the Council for the Bill for inflicting Pains and Penalties on the late Biſhop of Rocheſter.

The Biſhop of London in his late Sermon on Reformation of Manners, ſpoke againſt Opera's, Maſquerades, &c. in ſuch a peculiar and preſſing Manner, that it is taken Notice of in moſt Converſations; and it is hoped will have the good Effect of putting a Reſtraint upon ſuch Kind of Diverſions, for the Future.

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It was the Duke of Wharton who moved Yesterday for the Call of the House, his Grace giving as a Reason for the same, that the House was thin, and likewise that he had several Things to offer of Importance, particularly that relating to the standing Army.

The Lords to Day read several more Petitions of Appeal. The Lord St. John de Bletsoe took the Oaths, and his Seat in the House, then their Lordships adjourned to Tuesday. The Commons ordered the Commissioners of the Customs to lay before the House, an Accompt of the Duties on Coffee, Tea, and Choculate, for seven Years, distinguishing every Year's Accompt.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

[†] *There is lately come from the River of* Sevil *in* Spain, *a Parcel of fine Red* Sevil *Oranges and good Limons, to be sold at Eight Pence per Dozen, at* 40 *or* 35 *shil. sterl. in whole Chests: As also, good China Oranges, Chesnuts, Walnuts,* Spanish *Nuts, Onions, Red Herrings. All sold at reasonable Rates, at the first Loft in the Weigh-house in* Leith.

☞ *The* COLD BATH *belonging to the College of Physicians, being now in the Doctors Hands, is newly repaired, and made much more convenient and useful than formerly; and some Physicians will daily attend, to see every Thing belonging to it in good Order.*

[‖] *Whereas there having been a former Advertisement published and continued in the News-papers for some Time, concerning the Creditors of* David *Earl of* Northesk, *for Signing of the Submission, and Producing their Interests; and Mr.* John Ogilvie *of* Balbegno *and Mr.* John Forbes *of* Newhall, *Advocates, Arbiters in the Submission, being met, and the Creditors, Signing and Producing their Interests, being present by themselves or their Doers, and insisting to be preferr'd according to their Interests produc'd: The said Arbiters continued the Consideration thereof until the Fourteenth Day of* February *next, that the other Creditors might have Time to give in their Interests; and appointed this Advertisement to be made in the News-papers: With Certification, That they will then proceed in the Ranking, according to their Powers in the Submission.*

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